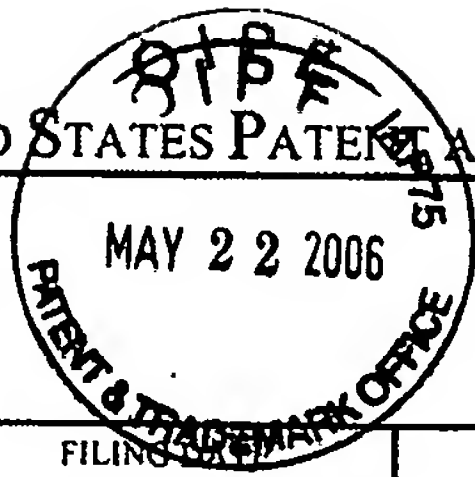




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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5, 8-13 and 16-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 6, 7, 14 and 15 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 26 September 2003 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

New corrected drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in this application because they are informally prepared and some items are unclear (for example, see Fig. 8). Applicant is advised to employ the services of a competent patent draftsman outside the Office, as the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office no longer prepares new drawings. The corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The requirement for corrected drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

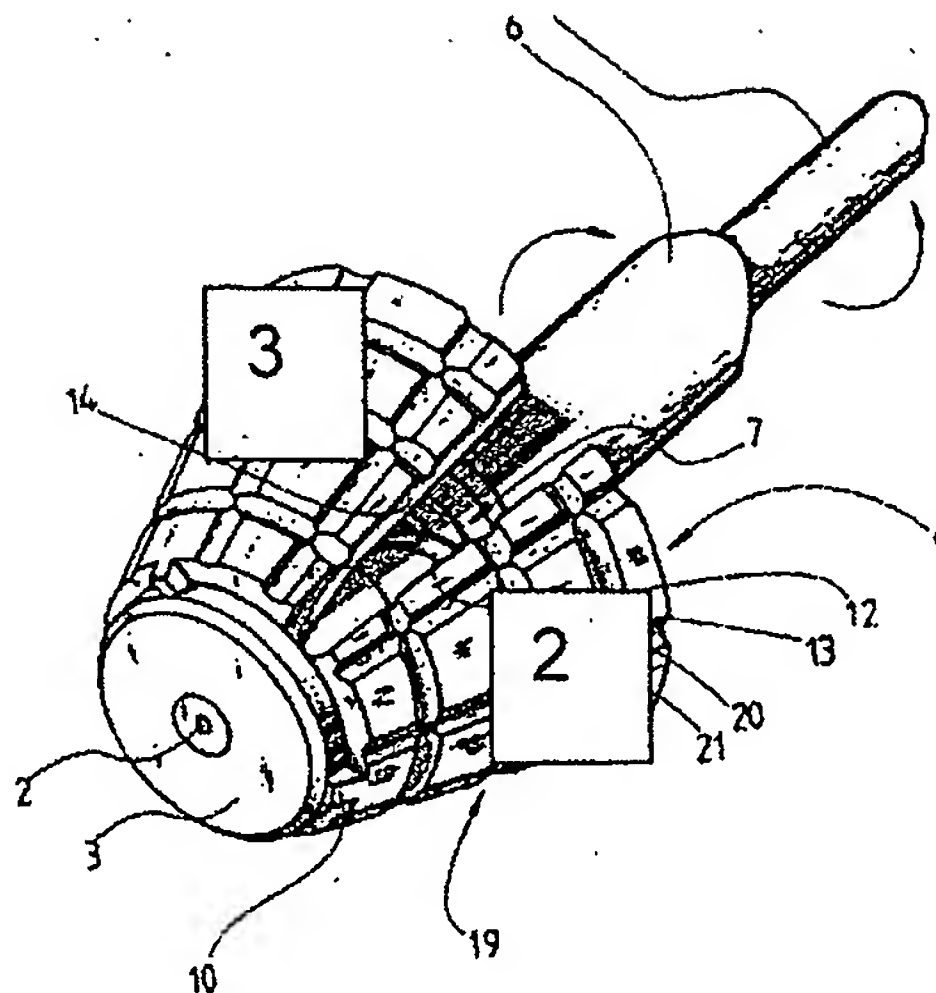
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Claims 1-5, 8-13, and 16-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Parhofer et al. (Foreign Patent DE3630069). Parhofer et al. discloses a device having a first component defining a longitudinal axis (see Fig. 3, item 1), and a second component (19) movably associated with the first component (see joint at 10) in a radial direction (Fig. 2). The device further has a body (Fig. 3), and a stem extending from said body (6), and wherein the second component is tapered (Fig. 1). The device also has a restraining portion (8) and a cooperating portion of the second component (10) to provide restrained motion. The device also has a third component moveably

associated with the first component (See Fig. 2 below, and the section denoted as "3" is the third component).

Fig.2



Further, the internal side of component 2 has a surface associated with the first component (on the inside) while the second component has a surface capable of contact with bone material and that is also capable of urging the particles radially (see Col. 2 through Col. 3). The device also provides for a motion of the second component away from the longitudinal axis of the first component as the first component is advanced axially (Col. 5, lines 41-63).

With regards to claim 19, the device as claimed is inherently capable of performing the method that is comprised of a device with a first and second component and having a second component that may move in a radial direction. To use the device as it was intended an incision of some kind is required. Likewise, the instrument would not fit into the bone cavity without proper preparation.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 6-7 and 14-15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

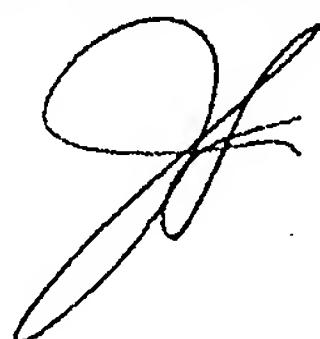
The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. See PTO-892.

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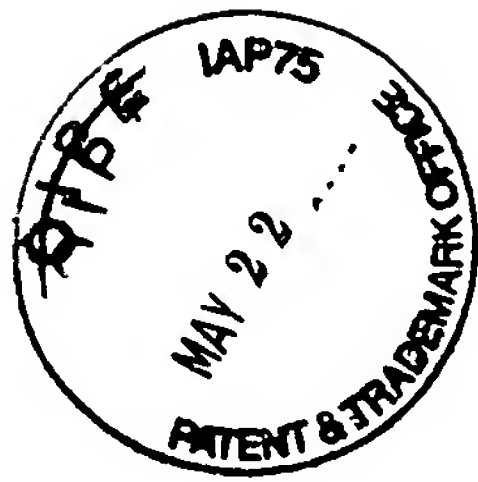
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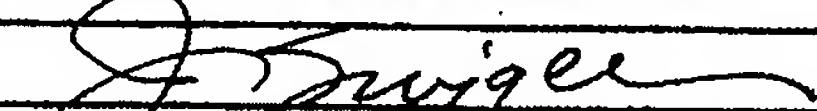
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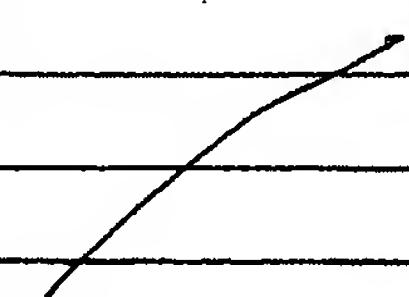
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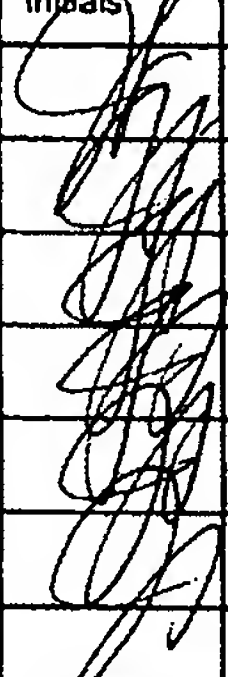
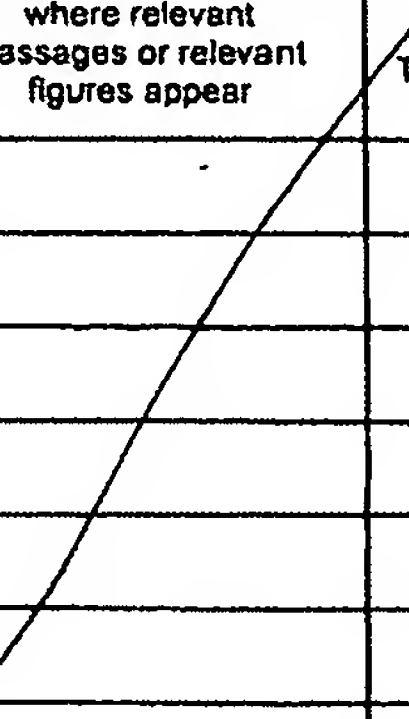
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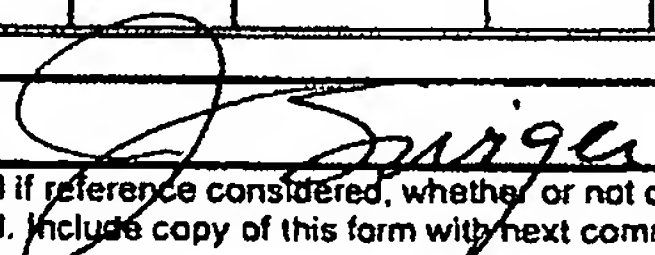
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